Postdoctoral Scholar in ENTOMOLOGY

The Department of Entomology at the University of California, Riverside invites applicants for a Postdoctoral Scholar to conduct research in Development of area-wide control methods of the Asian Citrus Psyllid under the supervision of Dr. Richard Stouthamer.

The Department of Entomology of the University of California, Riverside is seeking an entry level postdoctoral research associate to work on a cooperative project with the USDA to develop and evaluate the use of the sterile insect technique as part of area-wide control of the Asian Citrus Psyllid infesting Citrus in California. The position is located at University of California, Riverside.

We are seeking an outstanding, motivated post-doctoral researcher who will be part of a team of researchers responsible for the conduct, analysis, and reporting of field and laboratory research activities with the goal of developing area-wide management programs. Specifically, the post-doctoral researcher is expected to conduct experimental evaluations to support the development of the sterile insect technique (SIT) for the ACP and its use as part of an overall area-wide control strategy. Because this position will lead field research activities, the successful candidate must be able to work independently in summer and winter conditions and to drive project vehicles to distant field sites.

This is a term limited position with the option to renew, pending funding. The incumbent will be encouraged to participate in the development of promising projects for continued funding.

Timeline and support.
Preferred start date for this position is February 1st, 2020. Applications will be reviewed until position is filled. Funding is available for at least 12 months and is renewable dependent upon progress. The incumbent will be encouraged to participate in the development of promising projects for continued funding. Salary range $50,000-55,000, commensurate with experience.

Required education and experience.
PhD in entomology or related field. Must be comfortable working independently in field environments, agricultural fields and/or plant nurseries. Experience conducting IPM, ecological or agricultural field research specifically in trial design, data collection and statistical analysis. Must have or be able to acquire CA drivers license.
One year of experience conducting replicated entomological research studies in IPM and pest management or insect ecology; has demonstrated technical and scientific publication history; has experience and education in statistics and data analysis; has experience supervising temporary and/or hourly workers.

Application.
Applicants should submit a CV, names and contact information for three references, and a cover letter describing your experience with agricultural research and future career goals to Dr.
Richard Stouthamer (Richard.Stouthamer@ucr.edu), Professor, Department of Entomology, University of California, 900 University Ave, Riverside, CA 92521, USA

Review of applications will commence on January 15th, 2020 and proceed until position is filled. For full consideration, applicants should submit their complete applications by the above date.

For more information about this position, please contact Dr. Stouthamer at 951-827-2422.

UCR is a world-class research university with an exceptionally diverse undergraduate student body. Its mission is explicitly linked to providing routes to educational success for underrepresented and first-generation college students. A commitment to this mission is a preferred qualification.

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